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DEWITT WALLACE LIBRARY NEWS

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At the March 2019 Faculty Meeting, Provost Karine Moe announced the start of a planning process to look at spaces in the library. As per the minutes of the Faculty Meeting:

"We need to take stock of faculty and student current use but also what they imagine the library needs in the future, and what potential opportunities there might be for integrating the DRC and digital liberal arts. We'll have multiple opportunities to give input, and we'll be communicating throughout the planning process. It's important for me to say that any

make would be to make better use of underutilized space in the library." [Read more >>](#)

Update on Library Master Space Plan Process

We are embarking on a plan to reimagine, redesign, and renovate the DeWitt Wallace Library. Our community is invited to join us in rethinking this essential college asset as we endeavor to create a warm, welcoming, and inclusive space that:

- enhances the academic and scholarly pursuits of our community;
- provides increased access to, and inspired discovery of, information and library collections, in all forms;
- celebrates and elevates the written word, scholarship, and creative expressions;
- preserves and promotes the history of the college;
- emphasises the role of libraries and library staff in learning and information literacy;
- leverages technology and technology staff to enhance scholarship, teaching, and production;
- provides opportunity for creativity, exploration, content creation, and play;
- facilitates gatherings, meetings, and community building.

Through this project we will build on our historical and foundational strengths while evolving to support the new ways we explore, discover, share, create, convene, and collaborate. We aim to celebrate, elevate, and capitalize upon our role of advancing inquiry and scholarship, our inherent inclusion of all disciplines and interests of the Macalester community, and our essential contribution as an active community hub. The reimagined library will be a destination of distinction that supports the Macalester community in the shared goal of inspired learning and community building. A complete pdf version of the Library Master Space Plan will be found on our webpage - www.macalester.edu/librarymasterplan.

We invite you to join us in helping shape the Macalester DeWitt Wallace Library of the future. We are hosting two listening sessions to gather ideas, hopes, and dreams for a renovated library. Much has changed in the thirty years since the library was built. Together we will envision how the library might be designed to meet the needs of our students well into the future. Representatives from the Library, ITS, Facilities, and our architect, HGA, will host the following sessions:

- Student Session: September 26, 6:30-8pm, Library Harmon Room
- Faculty and Staff Session: October 1, 3:30-5pm, Library Harmon Room
- [Campus Community online survey](#), September 23-October 4

We also invite faculty to join us at our Serie Center session, Monday, October 21, 12 noon-1 p.m.

New Staff

We recently welcomed three new [Research & Instruction Librarians](#). They bring unique backgrounds, skill sets, and interests to our campus, highlighted below. We are grateful for their contributions now and into the future.

- [Marina Ito](#): Outreach & User Experience
Marina, who joined us in January 2019, is our new Research & Instruction Librarian for Outreach & User Experience. Her

services and helps improve the overall library experience. Marina previously served as a digitizer at Indiana University Bloomington, where she earned her Master of Library Science degree from the School of Informatics, Computing, and Engineering. She has also worked as a reference and music librarian and program coordinator in the U.S. and Japan. In her spare time, Marina enjoys listening to and performing music, reading manga, and traveling.

- [Christina Buckles](#): Humanities & Fine Arts

Christina has studied and is interested in transnational fiction and memoir, film studies, feminism and gender studies, digital humanities, and international librarianship. At Macalester, Christina provides research support and instruction to students, faculty, and staff. Previously she has worked in higher education, public and academic libraries, project management, and co-directed a one screen movie theater on the University of Iowa campus, Bijou Cinema. Perhaps her favorite course that she co-taught was New Asian Horror Cinema. She loves to travel, drink tea, read, and take in all the Twin Cities has to offer, including indie cinema, theater (Mixed Blood Theatre!), arts, and more.

- [April Anderson](#): Natural Sciences, Mathematics, Computer Science & Statistics

April is a dynamic information professional who has worked for an array of technology companies such as Sony, Qualcomm, Amazon, and Facebook Reality Labs since obtaining a Master of Library and Information Science from San Jose State University. Most recently, they worked as a Research Librarian at Facebook Reality Labs supporting the Audio team with extensive research in the emerging field of AR/VR. In addition, April has been working with Project Censored – a nonprofit media watchdog organization – on a detailed content analysis of the establishment media's coverage of critical issues related to the LGBTQI+ community under the Trump administration. The results of this research will be published in the forthcoming book titled *Censored 2020*.

Transition to OpenAthens

Over the summer we transitioned to a new authentication system called OpenAthens. The authentication system allows for access to library resources on and off campus, including journals, articles, databases, and streaming services. Most of our online resources are using OpenAthens now, but a few still have our previous system in place. If you experience any difficulties gaining access to resources, please contact Trisha Burr tburr@macalester.edu.

One thing to know, OpenAthens often appears as an option if you go directly to a database rather than using the link on the library web site. For example, if you visit the publisher Wiley's website, you would be able to authenticate using the link to OpenAthens. See the image below:

Institutional Login

OpenAthens
Log in with Shibboleth

Federation

Select your region or federation ▼

Tutorials:

[Linking to articles and other digital resources with OpenAthens](#)

[Logging into Databases from Off-Campus](#)

CALD Update

Macalester is one of six academic libraries participating in the Minnesota-based CALD Cooperative Collection Management Pilot, funded by a Department of Education LSTA grant. This project enables staff at the pilot libraries to put into practice two core values: ensuring the preservation of print collections and collaborating in order to increase the breadth of materials available for our communities. The pilot group has developed draft documents to guide the program now and in the future. These documents, along with proposed criteria for a retention model, will be shared for approval by the CALD Working Group in late September, and shared with the larger Minnesota academic library community in October. As the program evolves, we hope to partner with more libraries—regional and national—in order to fully take advantage of the power of shared collections. The other institutions participating in this pilot are: St. John's/St Ben's, Concordia College (Moorhead), St. Cloud State University, St. Catherine University, and the Minneapolis College of Art and Design.

New Subscription to Adam Matthew Explorer

We subscribed to Adam Matthew Explorer. AM Explorer is a single point of access that searches millions of pages of unique primary source content from [individual collection sets](#). The collections, developed in collaboration with librarians and archivists, have primary source content from the 15th - 21st centuries that span the social sciences and humanities. Collection themes include: Borders and Migrations, Gender and Sexuality, Global History, and War and Conflict. AM Explorer includes features that enhance engagement, such as Handwritten Text Recognition, Data Visualization, Video, and Oral Histories

Additional primary source materials can be found on the library's [A-Z Databases](#) page.



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